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Mr. H. A. Hall

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Greetings from the
A. S. F. Middle East
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Butcher H.C.N.
19th A.I.T.B. "C" Coy
M.H.E.F.
A.I.F. ABROAD.
Palatine 21 Dec

My Dear Friend

It is quite a long time since I heard from you, many months ago I wrote you at Raeburn & received you no answer & later met Roselinger who gave me your new address which I mislaid somewhere so am sending this care of the old home - Ray is in England & I'm here in Palatine somewhere come

over on one of the big boats from Fremantle about a month ago, the training & routine is very like we had at home only we live in tents instead of huts - the country is not unlike the Kimberley, the soil is amazing, they sow three crops per year, using the time aged single furrow wood plow & camel, daylight till dark every day except Sunday. I would like a few thousand acres of it after this job is finished. the weather is just like the Gascoyne climate, that biting cold wind that goes

right tho' you like a knife.
 In camp here no one
 would know a war was
 in existence, the same
 care free Aussie style, good
 enough sort of thing, applies
 every where - lately an interest
 has been created by the Jap
 meandering around Malaya
 & getting close to home, good
 thing the Yank has shifted
 his body & decided to hop
 into it & give us a hand.
 the food is fair & supplies
 per Contem are reasonable
 pictures every night & have
 once a week in rotation.
 Quite enjoying my self.
 Best wishes for the New Year
 & write a ltr here from you.
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